

To my Brethren of the FORTY, who have agreed to petition Parliament for further Powers, and to my Fellow-Citizens, PAYERS OF POOR-RATES.

FOR remedying Inconveniencies already felt, for preventing such hereafter, and for restoring Honour to the Corporation and Confidence to the Citizens, let the following Clauses be inserted in the intended Bill.

That the Members of the Corporation be elected for three Years only.

That no Forty-Man continue such after he is elected a Member of the Body called by the Name of the Chamber of Exeter.

That a respectable Inhabitant be chosen from every Parish to form a Committee for examining and auditing the Accounts of the Corporation : That new Committee-Men be chosen triennially : And that no Forty-Man be eligible to that Office.

That the Sanction of the Committee be obtained to every additional Affessment ; and that the Degree thereof be fixed by them.

That every Thing bought for the Use of the House be (as far as possible) purchased by Contract only : And that no Member of the Corporation furnish it with any Article, except in that Way.

That all Woollen Goods made in the House for Sale be disposed of without Delay in the first Week of every Month, at the best Price then to be obtained.

That but two Beadles be employed : And that the Head-Beadle be a sworn Constable.

That the Pay of every poor Person be duly paid to themselves, or their Representatives, weekly ; And that no Member of the Corporation retain any Part thereof, for Rent or Goods sold by him or any other Person whatever.

That the Occupations and Places of Abode, as well as the Names, of such as are occasionally relieved be specified, and reported quarterly at farthest.

That every Payer of Poor be resident in the Parish, or conjoined Parishes, he pays.

Confident that the Adoption of these Hints will be of public Use, they are earnestly recommended, by

Exeter, Feb.
11, 1784.

A Brother Forty-Man.